Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Suppose he is assaulted. May I know whether any action is to be taken against the offender?

President: The whole question is hypothetical.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai (*Commerce and Industries, South*): With reference to the answer that there is no rule that the officers should wear uniform at all times when on duty, may I know whether there is any rule that officers should wear uniform at particular times?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: The peons and petty officers are generally expected to wear uniform. There are occasions when they are not expected to do so. The other officers including the Commissioner wear uniform whenever there is necessity for the purpose of identification.

Vehicular Traffic through the crowded streets inside the Fort.

78 ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that heavy traffic conveying commodities to and from Chalai bazaar is being carried on through the crowded and narrow streets inside the Fort;

(*b*) whether this fact has been brought to the notice of the Government by responsible persons residing in the locality; and

(*c*) if so, what action the Government have taken in the matter?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Heavy traffic cannot be prevented from passing through the Fort Streets.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad: May I know whether Government is aware of the fact that till a few years back heavy traffic was not allowed to pass there?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: No.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad: May I know whether Government is aware that accidents are likely to occur if heavy traffic is allowed to pass there?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: Accidents are common to all roads. It is not confined to any special locality.

Medical aid in the Ambalapuzha taluk.

79. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many hospitals and dispensaries there are in the Ampalapuzha taluk;

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(*b*) which are the centres where they are located ; and

(*c*) how are the needs of the other pakuthies met ?

Mr. James Simpson : (*a*) One hospital and four dispensaries

(*b*) The hospital is at Alleppey and the dispensaries are at Ambalapuzha, Pulinkunnu, Kalavoor and Edathua,

(*c*) The inhabitants of the other pakuthies resort for medical help to the nearest medical institutions.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know how many pakuthies are without hospitals and dispensaries ?

Mr. James Simpson : I claim notice.

Importance of the Perumpavur-Koovapadi road.

80. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact

(*a*) that the Perumpavur-Koovapadi road is the only road for

(i) the inhabitants residing in Aimuri, Karattupalli and other pakuthies for reaching the public offices at Perumpavur ;

(ii) the students residing in those pakuthies for going to the schools in the town ; and

(iii) the agriculturists in the above pakuthies to carry their agricultural products to the markets at Perumpavur ; and

(*b*) the said road will be under water during the major part of the rainy season and that this road is in an unsatisfactory and unsafe condition ?

Mr. G B. E. Truscott (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : (*a*) (i) to (iii) This is the shortest route to Perumpavur.

(*b*) During heavy floods the embankment portion will be under water and the road stands in need of improvement.

Mr. G Narayana Aiyar : With reference to the answer to part (*a*) may I know whether there is any other road available for the inhabitants of the pakuthies to come to the public offices ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : That is the M. C. Road.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know from the member whether the M. C. road is on the side of these pakuthies ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: There is the road going from Perumpavur and joining with the Chalamattom-Kodanad road.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : Are there roads leading from these pakuties to the M. C. road ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : Excepting that road, no.

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